

Application No. 10/643,330
AMENDMENT C

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1 – 13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently amended) A method of making synthetic diamond comprising:
- providing cremated human or animal remains ~~tissue~~;
 - collecting residual carbon from said cremated human or animal remains ~~tissue~~; and
 - converting said residual carbon to diamond.

15. (Currently amended) The method of claim 14, wherein said collecting step is carried out by adding additional carbon to said cremated human or animal remains ~~tissue~~ and purifying said cremated human or animal remains ~~tissue~~ in the presence of said additional carbon.

16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14, wherein said converting step is carried out under conditions effective to form a diamond gemstone.

17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 16, further comprising faceting said diamond gemstone.

18-33. (Cancelled)